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A semiconductor synchronous dynamic random access memory (SDRAM) device is provided which is capable of correcting ~~efficiently~~ bits having a low error rate in a Pause Refresh Tail distribution and of ~~greatly~~ reducing a data holding current by lengthening a refresh period so that the refresh period exceeds a period for a Pause Refresh real power. The semiconductor memory device is made up of a 16-bit SDRAM (~~Synchronous Dynamic Random Access Memory~~) having a Hamming Code and including an ECC (Error Correcting Code) circuit made up of ~~a-an~~ encoding circuit ~~being~~ controlled by a first test signal to output ~~by arithmetic~~ operations a parity bit corresponding to an information bit, a decoding circuit ~~being~~ controlled by a second test signal to output an error location detecting signal indicating an error bit in ~~bits of a~~ codeword, and an error correcting circuit ~~being~~ controlled by a third test signal to input an error location detecting signal and to output an error bit in a reverse manner.